

THE EVENING NEWS.

FIFTH YEAR—NO. 118

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1900.

TWO CENTS.

WILL BE KEPT A SECRET

The Program for the
Jubilee Banquet.

Committee Makes the
Arrangements.

Committee on Reception
Named.

The program for the banquet at the Hotel Benton tomorrow night, to celebrate the raising of nearly \$10,000 in a week to secure the Farwell overall factory, has been arranged. No one but the committee knows what it is and will not know until they reach the banquet hall, provided the committee is as able to keep a secret as it believes it is.

The banquet will begin at 9:30 o'clock and every person who subscribed toward the fund is invited to attend. Every subscriber is entitled to two plates and ladies are invited.

The following reception committee has been appointed: C. L. Young, A. J. Kidd, C. M. Edick, Charles Foster, W. P. Robbins, J. N. Klock, F. F. Pratt, D. Cullinane. The banquet is given complimentary by Mr. Graham and all the subscribers to the fund will be given free tickets by calling at the office of the hotel.

VILLAGE OF DAYTON BURNED.

Not Much Left of the Village Near
Gallen.

The village of Dayton, situated between Buchanan and Gallen on the Michigan Central, was nearly wiped out by fire at an early hour yesterday morning. Four business blocks, including the one occupied by the postoffice were destroyed and it is estimated that the loss is fully \$10,000. All that is left standing of the business portion of the village is one store building.

It is not known how the fire originated but it is thought that it started in the hall which was located over one of the stores.

Last Wednesday night a masquerade ball was given in the hall and the party broke up shortly after 3 o'clock and about 5:30 the fire was discovered but it had gained such a start that what little fire protection the village had was of no avail and the owners of the property had to stand by and see it destroyed.

It is supposed that some thoughtless fellow while in the dance hall threw a stub of a lighted cigar away and caused the fire.

English Ambassadors.

There are only seven ambassadors representing Great Britain abroad. The seven great powers entitled to receive them are France, Austria, Germany, Italy, Russia, the United States and Turkey. Their salaries range from \$35,000 to \$50,000, the British ambassador at Paris receiving the highest sum and holding the most coveted position in the diplomatic service abroad. — Chicago Chronicle.

No Dessert.

"Them chops was good, mum," said the tramp. "But I allus likes to finish a meal with sweets. Yer ain't got any cakes, have yer?"

"I have cakes of soap."

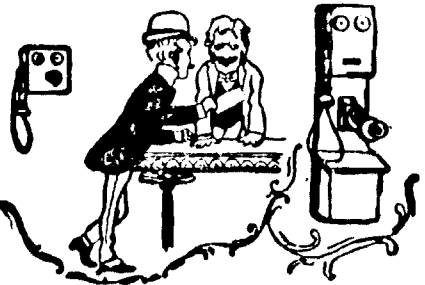
"Thank yer hearty, mum. But I never touch 'em."—Harlem Life.

Sentiment and Reality.

Maud—There is something so touching about the attraction of the flame for the moth.

Edith—It isn't half so sorrowful as the attraction for the moth of your best furs.—Indianapolis Journal.

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THE WEATHER.

Fair and continued cold tonight and Saturday, except snow flurries near lakes. Brisk northwest winds.

LAST NIGHT'S PARTY.

YOUNG MEN EXCEL PREVIOUS
EFFORTS.

CONKEY'S HALL TRIMMED AS
NEVER BEFORE.

About two hundred people attended the party given last evening at Conkey's hall, by the Messrs C. L. Young, Harry Pound, Bert Berger and Floyd Daigneau. Nearly all of the guests were from St. Joseph and Benton Harbor. Those from out of the twin cities were Charles Cronin of Marshall; Miss Lena Barrett, Charlotte; Miss Jo Mochingsen, Fon du lac; Kittie Fox, Grand Rapids; Mrs. John Neighart, South Bend; Miss Alice Smith, Bridgman; Sam Quimby, Niles; Mr. Cullinane, Dowagiac; Miss Jones, Dowagiac; Mr. Baird, South Bend; Miss Ella Cummings, Keeler; Mrs. Hal Lowry, Niles.

The hall was so well and beautifully trimmed that it was hardly recognizable. Artistic effects never before attempted were brought out perfectly by the decorators. The appearance of the hall was almost entirely Japanese. At the west end were pretty draperies, cozy corners, handsome rugs, potted palms, Japanese umbrellas and Japanese lanterns, fashioned a beautiful corner, where the guests were received.

The gentlemen were assisted in receiving by the Misses Grace Robbins, Grace McGraw, Katie Fawcett, of Benton Harbor, and Miss Alice Smith of Bridgman. Miss Robbins was attired in a dainty blue silk, Miss McGraw in a handsome black silk with jet trimmings made decollete, Miss Fawcett in a lovely gown of light blue silk, and Miss Smith in a pink mull touched with black, also made decollete.

The receiving party stood under a large Japanese umbrella with Japanese lanterns hung from each corner of it. Colored waiters served punch from a prettily arranged alcove at the opposite end of the hall. The stage was fashioned into a dining hall where refreshments of sandwiches, coffee and cake were served at all times during the evening by colored waiters.

The grand march, led by Harry Pound and Miss Grace Robbins, began promptly at 9:30 to the strains of Philofo's grand march played by Null's orchestra. The programs, dainty cards each tied together with a pink carnation, gave twenty-one numbers with four extras. The dancing continued until nearly 3 o'clock when the party broke up.

The party was the swellest given in this city for many seasons and the costumes of many of the ladies were exquisite. The Messrs Young, Pound, Berger and Daigneau are to be congratulated on their success.

IN ABOUT 2 WEEKS.

Navigation for the Season of 1900 Will
Commence.

Weather permitting navigation between this port and Chicago will start in about two weeks. President Graham, of the Graham & Morton company, said this morning that it was the intention of the company to start the steamer City of Louisville on the run about March 1. The boat has been receiving numerous repairs since it was laid up for the winter.

There Is Some Sleighing.

Enough snow has fallen that now and then a sleigh is seen on the streets. As flurries of snow fall at intervals it is possible that there may be some fairly good sleighing yet.

Will Be Decided Next Week.

The case of the barbers' commission against Fred Waas of this city will be decided by the supreme court next Tuesday.

BAND CONCERT NEXT WEEK.

Null's Military Band Preparing a Fine
Program.

Null's military band will give a concert at Conkey's hall next Tuesday evening, February 20. This will be the best concert of the kind ever given here. The program will consist of heavy overtures, descriptive pieces, Spanish waltzes and new marches.

The following soloists will play: Fred Pike, trombone; Thomas Armstrong, clarinet; Prof. Parcaut, violin; cornet duet, Profs. Null and Ferguson. Vonna Fitzgerald will sing and Miss Ida Edgumbe will recite. The admission fee has been fixed at only 25 cents.

Remember you can pass a pleasant evening by attending the program social tonight at Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Housan's, 154 High street. All are especially invited.

Photographs

12 half cabinet photos \$1.00 this week at Lacy's photo car 114126

Drs. M. E. and R. W. Ingenfriz have opened their office in the Center block, room 4. They are osteopaths. 11565

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THEY'RE DOING THE WEST

Word From the Hipp-Robinson
Party.

Way They Treat Consumption in
Denver.

Word has been received from the Hipp-Robinson party who left Benton Harbor last Saturday to tour the west. In a letter from Mr. Hipp to his firm, Hipp, Enders & Avery, is the following interesting report of their trip:

Leaving Chicago at 10 o'clock Saturday evening over the Santa Fe we awoke to find ourselves in the state of mules and corn cob pipes. We found more winter here than at home, the ground being covered with snow and the big muddy frozen over entirely across. We were met at the train in Kansas City by our old friend, R. R. Hewson, who is nicely situated and doing well in the Gate City.

A daylight ride through the great state of Kansas showed us immense herds of cattle, corn fields, grain elevators, and a darkish soil which seems inexhaustible and capable of supporting an ordinary nation with subsistence.

The weather grew colder as we approached Colorado. We had a good view of the mountains from Colorado Springs to Denver, and Pike's Peak, with six miles of surface at the summit, standing way above the others.

We arrived at Denver at 10 a. m. on Monday and found the air sharp with four or five inches of snow. The people here say it is the first winter they have seen but it looks as if it would be a long time before soft waists and open windows will prevail. We all like Denver. It's a smart city of 160,000 inhabitants and up to date in every respect. We visited the capitol, which is remarkable in many ways. Its construction is entirely from materials of its own state, its architecture is of the Corinthian style and it cost \$200,000. It was begun in 1881 and will not be completed for a year. It is grand and massive and has an elevation of one mile above the sea level. Historical and mineral collections here are wonderful, one nugget of silver weighing 396 pounds and 90 per cent pure was shown us, being worth \$8,200. Relics of the Indian cliff dwellers are numerous and interesting.

We climbed to the dome of the capitol, which place afford a fine view of the city and Pike's Peak (14 miles away.) A ride over the electric lines gave us a good idea of the city. Consumptives here are sitting out on the cold verandas wrapped in blankets with a zero temperature. We saw about 40 of these patients doing this at a home of consumptives, this being the method of treatment.

Tomorrow we start for Levegas, N. M., the home of Montezuma. We are all well and enjoying the trip hugely.

THREE BIGGEST LIARS.

Mark Twain One and Eli Perkins the
Other Two.

Mark Twain once remarked that he had the honor of knowing the three biggest liars in America. When questioned he admitted that he himself was one and that Eli Perkins was the other two.

Eli's little girl Ethel was asked by her Sabbath school teacher what a lie was. The little lassie answered wisely: "Mamma says it is an abomination in the sight of the Lord, but papa says it is an ever present help in time of need."

Frances Willard was always a great admirer of the humorist. She once wrote:

"Wherever Eli Perkins goes, whether on the platform or in his newspaper interviews, he strikes telling blows for temperance."

Eli Perkins will lecture in the M. E. church February 21. Benefit high school seniors.

Dr. J. C. Hostick has moved his office for the present from the Hubbard block to Dr. Antisdale's office in the Graham block. 11-16

GRAIN MARKET.

Following are the prices of grain and provisions on Chicago board of trade today furnished by E. W. Moore & Co., commission brokers:

Wheat—	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest
May.....	68 1/2	68 3/4	68 1/4	68 3/4	69b
July.....	69 1/2	69 3/4	69 1/4	69 3/4	69b

Corn—	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest
May.....	35 1/2	35 3/4	35 1/4	35 3/4	35b
July.....	35 1/2	35 3/4	35 1/4	35 3/4	35b

Oats—	Open	High	Low	Close	Yest
May.....	23 1/2	24	23 1/4	24	24
July.....	23 1/2	24	23 1/4	24	24

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May pork \$10.95 lard \$6.05 ribs \$9.02

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FRENCH SUCCESSFUL.

**British General Reaches Kimberley
with His Force.**

NO DETAILS OF MOVEMENT GIVEN.

**House of Commons Adopts the Gov-
ernment's Military Scheme—Lord
Roberts' Plans Give Gen-
eral Satisfaction.**

London, Feb. 16.—The following dis-
patch has been received from Lord
Roberts:

"Jacobsdale, Feb. 15, 9 p. m.—
French, with cavalry, mounted infantry
and artillery, reached Kimberley this
(Thursday) evening.

"ROBERTS."

Rensburg Evacuated.

London, Feb. 16.—The Cape Town
correspondent of the Daily Chronicle,
telegraphing Wednesday, says: "It is
reported here that the British have
evacuated Rensburg and retired to
Arundel."

British Lose Again.

Boer Lager, Near Ladysmith, Tues-
day, Feb. 13.—Monday Gen. Botha, with
a small force, crossed the Tugela to a
deserted British camp, where he en-
countered 50 lancers, of whom 13 were
killed, five wounded and nine taken
prisoners. One of the prisoners was
sent to tell the British to fetch their
wounded.

Passed by the House.

London, Feb. 16.—The house of com-

IS OVERTHROWN.

**Rabah, Famous Soudan Chieftain,
Defeated After a Terrific Bat-
tle with the French.**

Paris, Feb. 16.—M. DeCrais, minister
of the colonies, has received a telegram
from the governor of the French Con-
go, M. H. De Lamothe, announcing
the defeat in battle of Rabah, the
principal chieftain of the central Sou-
dan, by a French expedition. Rabah
has long been the strongest opponent
of the extension of French influence
in the Soudan. He was formerly a slave
of Zeber Pasha, himself a great Soudan
ruler, but revolted and formed a king-
dom of his own in Central Africa, sub-
jugating potentate after potentate
until he became head of a vast empire.
His career of victory gained for him
the name of the "African Napoleon." The
French have been fighting his
power for years, and this dispatch an-
nounces his overthrow. It appears
that he was strongly entrenched at
Kouna, between the French Congo and
Lake Tchad, which is the objective of
all French expeditions, whether across
the Sahara from Algeria or from the
colonies in West Africa and the
Congo. Kouna was defended by 12,000
men, with 2,500 rifles and three can-
non.

After a desperate fight, according to
the dispatch, the French demolished
the fortress. Two of Rabah's cannon
were destroyed by the French shells.
Rabah, who was wounded during the
fight, fled six hours before its con-
clusion. The commander of the French
expedition, however, admits that prac-
tically half of his own force was placed

MAJ. GEN. LYTTLETON, C. B.



The First British Commander to Cross the Tugela River Toward the Boers.
From a Photograph by a Correspondent of Black and White.

mons Wednesday evening adopted the
government's military scheme by a
vote of 229 against 54, the minority con-
sisting chiefly of Irish members.

War Policy Arraigned.

London, Feb. 16.—Lord Rosebery,
in the house of lords, declared
Great Britain was in a life and
death crisis, with Russia an
open enemy and other nations show-
ing little friendship. He arraigned
the government for the situation in
Africa, declaring that if the Boers win
the British empire will be endan-
gered, while even now powers profit
by England's embarrassment; he also
said England tried to arrange alliance
with Germany and the United States.

Will Arm Natives.

In the house of commons Thursday,
during the course of a reply to a ques-
tion relative to the probable Boer in-
vasion of Zululand, the secretary of
state for the colonies, Joseph Cham-
berlain, said that the government had
decided that if the native territories
were invaded by the Boers the natives
"will be encouraged and assisted in
every way in defending themselves."

Fell Down Stairs.

Duluth, Minn., Feb. 16.—Alonzo A.
Cox, a tug captain, well known, hav-
ing sailed on the lakes for 20 years,
was killed Thursday evening by fall-
ing down a flight of stairs at his
boarding house. While returning home
in the evening Cox was struck by a
street car and painfully injured. He
was taken home and about an hour
later got out of bed and fell down-
stairs, striking on his head and break-
ing his neck. He was about 50 years
old and leaves a family at Port Hur-
on, Mich.

Didn't Last Long.

Chicago, Feb. 16.—"The New Ameri-
can" baseball association has gone un-
der, and the promoters have thrown
up the sponge." This was the an-
nouncement made Thursday night by
Capt. Anson, president of the new as-
sociation. A dispatch from McGraw,
of Baltimore, that the Philadelphia
backers had failed to keep their prom-
ises and announcing his own with-
drawal from the association, brought
forth Anson's announcement that the
league of which he was president was
past all resurrection.

Brings Many Dead Soldiers.

Santiago de Cuba, Feb. 16.—The
United States transport McPherson
left Thursday for the United States,
carrying the bodies of 200 American
soldiers, including 74 who died of yel-
low fever last year.

Earthquake in Peru.

Lima, Peru, via Galveston, Tex., Feb.
16. At 6:55 a. m. Thursday a severe
earthquake shock which caused great
alarm was felt in this section.

Loss Is Heavy.

Montpelier, Vt., Feb. 16.—A careful
estimate of the damage caused by the
freshet here places it at \$140,000.



A Young Girl's Experience.

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noise started her, and she was wakeful at
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THE 'PHONE CONTRACT

Contract Between the Twin City and the Central Telephone Company of Kalamazoo.

FIVE YEARS FROM JANUARY 1.

Reason Why the Local Company is Not Worrying Over Sale of Erie.

When the Central telephone company of Kalamazoo was purchased by the Erie or Bell telephone company there were many people in this city who worried for fear that the local company was about to be shut off from telephonic communication with the outside world, as all the connections with outside lines are made over the lines of the Central company. The members of the local telephone company are not a bit uneasy, however, as they happen to have a contract which protects them for five years. The contract reads as follows:

Memorandum of agreement made in duplicate, entered into this 1st day of January, 1900, between the Central telephone company of the city of Kalamazoo, state of Michigan, party of the first part, and the Twin City telephone company of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph of the same state, party of the second part.

1. Said party of the first part agrees to connect its toll lines with the toll lines of said second party at Hartford and Niles and to give telephone service to all subscribers belonging to said second party's exchanges or toll line connections therewith, and over all lines and connecting lines owned by it, and over all lines with which it may connect.

2. Said second party agrees to connect first party's lines with its lines at Hartford and Niles, and to provide telephone service to said first party at any and all times for all calls over its lines with any and all subscribers to said second party's exchange or toll connections, and shall also give first party connections over any and all lines and with all exchanges with which said second party may connect now or at any future time.

The rates for messages passing from first party's lines or exchanges, or connecting lines or exchanges, shall be as established and approved by the Independent Telephone association of Michigan, except as changed by mutual consent of the parties hereto, and such rates shall be the same both ways.

4. The said second party shall guarantee the charges for messages originating on its lines, or connecting lines or exchanges, and passing to the lines or exchanges of said first party, and for such guarantee, and the use of said second party's lines or exchanges, as above mentioned, said second party shall retain for such service 50 per cent of the tolls charged on said originating messages on all its lines or exchanges, or connecting lines or exchanges.

5. Each party hereto agrees not to connect with any lines or exchange or furnish any service, or transmit any messages for or over any competing lines or exchanges, and further agrees that it will not build any lines or exchanges in, or into, any towns or establish any stations, now occupied by the other party hereto.

6. It is further agreed that the parties hereto will furnish each other with a full report of all messages originating on their lines or connecting lines, and passing to the other party's lines, on or before the 20th of each month, for the previous month, and that the messenger service that may be due either company shall be settled for in full.

7. This contract and agreement shall be for a term of five years from the date hereof.

Dated this day of January, 1900
Central Telephone Co.,
by CHARLES SEITZ,
General Manager.

Twin City Telephone Co.,
Per R. MORRILL, Sec'y.
Twin City Telephone Co.,
By W. A. PRESTON, President.

SUGAR BEET GROWERS.

Those in Central Michigan Want Better Prices for Beets.

Alma, Feb. 16.—The Central Michigan Sugar Beet Growers' association held a meeting here yesterday. The following directors were elected: B. M. Coffin, D. Christolm, and H. B. Angell. Resolutions were presented demanding \$4.50 per ton for beets testing 12 per cent and over that in the same proportion. The resolutions also demand the privilege of putting men in as overseers of the weighing room and tare room. The resolutions are in the hands of the directors, but have not been adopted as yet.

Almost a Miracle.

Mr. J. H. Miller of Chenango Forks, N. Y., says: "I suffered for fifty years with piles and despaired of ever being cured until I tried Dr. Chase's Ointment. One box cured me perfectly." Dr. Chase's Ointment guaranteed to cure piles, eczema, and all skin diseases. 50 cents, all druggists, or Dr. A. W. Chase Med. Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Free sample box sent on receipt of stamp.

Old papers for sale at this office.

WILL HAVE A MORGUE.

J. O. Rowe Will Have an Up-to-Date Establishment.

J. O. Rowe, who has been in the undertaking business with A. Vuysteke for several years, will continue the business alone. Yesterday Mr. Rowe not only purchased a new funeral car but an entire undertaking outfit at a cost of several thousand dollars. He has leased one of the new stores in the Mills block, south of THE NEWS block, and will fit up one of the best establishments of the kind to be found between Chicago and Grand Rapids.

In the basement of the building will be a morgue, something that this city has always needed.

Mr. Rowe has many friends here who will be pleased to learn that he is in business for himself. His new outfit will arrive here about April 1, and in the meantime he will continue the business at the present location in the Conkey block.

RIVER DAM AT THE SPRINGS

Certain That the Dam Will Be Built Soon.

Millionaire Chapin Buying Up Land There.

Berrien Springs, Feb. 16.—There is no longer any doubt here but that the immense water power of the St. Joseph river at this place will be developed and that the proposed dam for that purpose will be built this year.

The strongest evidence of this fact is that Millionaire Charles A. Chapin of New York and other capitalists who appear to be on the inside, are engaged in buying up the land in this vicinity that is offered for sale. Among the fine farms that have recently passed into the hands of capitalists is the farm of M. Ayers, one of the best known citizens here.

The people of this village believe that the coming of a greater Berrien Springs, the dream of the enterprising citizens for years, is about to be realized.

MICHIGAN.

Henry D. Cushman, a prominent resident of Three Rivers, is dead.

W. S. Taylor, one of the governors of Kentucky, has been invited to deliver an address at Grand Rapids.

Oscar McKinley, representing the union printers, will secure the contract for doing the state printing. He underbid Robert Smith & Co., present state printers, who had trouble with the union last year.

Rural free delivery has been ordered at the following Michigan places: Ann Arbor, Willis Kent and D. N. Perry, carriers; Lowell, B. E. Fenning, carrier; Albion, J. F. Reishaw, W. E. Thompson and E. O. Watkins, carriers; Saline, Washtenaw county.

Reports to the state board of health show that rheumatism, bronchitis, neuralgia, influenza and tonsillitis, in the order named, caused most of the sickness in Michigan during the past week. Smallpox was reported at 4 places, cerebro-spinal meningitis at 4, whooping cough at 23, typhoid fever at 32, diphtheria at 37, scarlet fever at 77, measles at 86, and consumption at 180.

Michigan pensions were granted Wednesday as follows: Additional—George W. Zimmerman, Cedar Springs, \$6 to \$8; Daniel Smoke, Rome, \$6 to \$8; Restoration and Increase—Oryine Hoadley (deed), Cedar Springs, \$8 to \$14; Increase—William J. Walters, Cedar Springs, \$8 to \$12; Levi C. Cleave, and Otsego, \$12 to \$17; James O. Hess, Clark Lake, \$8 to \$12; Philo Arnold, Ailegan, \$8 to \$10; Widow Mary C. Canine, Cheaning, \$8; Sarah A. Ferguson, Pontiac.

Address by Mrs. Benjamin.

It is with great pleasure that the ladies of the W. C. T. U. announce to the public that Mrs. A. S. Benjamin, state president, will deliver an address at the Presbyterian church, Saturday evening, February 17, at 7:30, and will also occupy the pulpit Sunday morning. All interested in temperance work and kindred reforms and those who like to hear an able and interesting speaker on up-to-date topics are cordially invited to be present. Admission free.

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BAND CONCERT NEXT WEEK.

Null's Military Band Preparing a Fine Program.

Null's military band will give a concert at Conkey's hall next Tuesday evening, February 20. This will be the best concert of the kind ever given here. The program will consist of heavy overtures, descriptive pieces, Spanish waltzes and new marches.

The following soloists will play: Fred Pike, trombone; Thomas Armstrong, clarinet; Prof. Parreant, violin; cornet duet, Profs. Null and Ferguson. Vonna Fitzgerald will sing and Miss Ida Edgecombe will recite. The admission fee has been fixed at only 25 cents.

Elk buttons and charms, the latest styles and designs, can now be found at W. E. Kennedy's jewelry store, 1044 1/2

PING TALKS POLITICS.

But Does Not Express His Choice for Candidate for Governor of the State.

A BIG FIELD OF ASPIRANTS.

The Governor Says That Up to Date Ferry Has Been All Right.

Detroit, Feb. 16.—The Tribune contains the following interview:

"Who will you support as your successor?" Governor Pingree was asked Tuesday.

"I'm going to wait and see how these candidates declare on equal taxation," said he. "I've enlisted for the war on equal taxation, not just for this campaign. The man who comes out best on that matter will get my support."

"There is a fine crop of candidates," was remarked to him.

"Yes, and I understand they are all rich men. They must be; I can tell them that it is no use for a man without a lot of money trying to be governor of this state. I think I ought to know about that."

"How about Bliss?" was asked.

"He has got the money all right; he was on the right side in lumber. He has snuggled up to the immortal 19 that opposed me, I understand. This is not going to be any harmony campaign like the Rich campaign. The republican party in this state has got to stand for something. The people won't vote the ticket unless it does. There are a lot of republican voters that have learned how to split the ticket."

"Perhaps you will support Stearns, then?"

"Do you know I've a great admiration for that man Stearns. He is a man of awful good judgment and a mighty clean cut, level headed fellow. I was inclined to be prejudiced against him at first, because I thought he was too thick with some people that had been against me in the legislature, but I soon found out that he was all right. Stearns is a man that makes no mistakes; he always knows what he is about."

"I hear that the northern end of the lower peninsula is thought to be largely for Campbell," was interjected by the reporter.

"Campbell is an awful good man. He is all right on the tax question. He has been before the people a good many times on important questions, and he has always been right. The farmers think a lot of him. The farmers' clubs cut a big figure in Michigan, too, and a bigger figure every year. Do you know that the actual membership enrolled in these farmers' clubs in Michigan reaches 87,000. And those fellows are for equal taxation and they won't lay down until they get it."

"People used to think I was just talking through my hat when I said not half the property in Michigan is on the tax rolls. They see now I was right."

"After all that has been said, governor, may you not support your neighbor here?" was asked.

"D. M. Ferry has said nothing so far but what is all right," replied Gov. Pingree, promptly. "He seems, however, to think a big corporation is dangerous, but that a little one is all right. His dinners are all right, too; plenty to eat and drink, best kinds."

"Chase Osborn says he is in the race to stay to the end," was remarked to Gov. Pingree.

"Chase Osborn usually knows what he is about. He is a good man, too," said Gov. Pingree, cheerfully.

"Well, governor, is there any other candidate you will pick for a winner over those mentioned?"

"I won't attempt to pick out the winner, the people will do that. There are some more candidates. I heard of another today, J. J. Woodman, of Paw Paw. Then there is the man who was lieutenant governor my first term, Dunsen, he has come out. The people will have every opportunity to select."

There is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over 14 cents. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals and bids will be received by the city clerk up to and including Monday, February 26, 1900, for furnishing all the material and doing all the work necessary to complete 1,250 lineal feet of 10-inch sewer and connections of various sizes and manholes, according to plans and specifications now on file in the office of the city clerk. Bidders are also required to bid on the labor separately, they to furnish all necessary tools, curbing, etc. Each bid must be accompanied by a certified clerk for fifty dollars as a guarantee of good faith. The board of public works reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Benton Harbor, February 16, 1900.
R. P. CHADDOCK, city clerk.

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ARTISTIC FAULT FINDER.

Whether one agrees with the Chicago Chronicle or not it is refreshing to read its editorial page.

Hon. Martin J. Russell, the editor, is an old-time journalist, who believes that the editorial page is the most important part of the paper. When the editor desires to arraign anyone—and he loses no opportunity to score the president, perhaps not because the president deserves it but rather because the Chronicle is a democratic paper—he does not do it in a vindictive way but gives sarcastic praise. In regard to the letter of ex-Consul Macrum, telling how the letters he received from the state department at Pretoria had been opened and read by the British censor, the Chronicle says:

In short, we must, in spite of any temporary grievances and humiliations, continue to do our duty to her most gracious majesty as loyal subjects. As Messrs. McKinley and Hay will undoubtedly tell us, it should be our pleasure, as it is our duty, to submit cheerfully and willingly to any censorship or other supervisory regulations which may be instituted for the best interests of the empire in this period of stress and trial. We cannot afford to have it said that, at a critical moment, we were less responsive than Canada, Australia and the other dependencies in our devotion to her gracious majesty, Queen Victoria—God bless her!

Let Macrum be hanged and let an American army corps be dispatched to reinforce Buller as an evidence of our contrition for Macrum's treason and of our unswerving loyalty to her majesty. God save the Queen.

The democratic papers are not the only ones to condemn the state department under Secretary Hay but thick and thin organs like the Inter Ocean bitterly criticize. But nowhere can be found such artistic criticism of everybody and everything as in the editorial page of the Chronicle.

ANDREW Carnegie is the same philanthropist that he was when he uttered the burning words that a man ought to die poor to die happy. He is carrying out the idea in a practical way by trying to rob his old partner Frick of several millions. It is only for the happiness of Frick that the millionaire is acting.

GOVERNOR Pingree appears to be getting in the position of a man who can deny the interview that he will bolt the ticket if Ferry is nominated.

BENTON Harbor did not use all her ammunition in taking the Farwell kop.

Pitching Pennies.

Our Filipino proteges have a new way of pitching coppers—for it takes eight of the Filipino coppers, each as large as one of our two-cent pieces, to make five cents (American). They pile up several coppers, and standing off about four yards pitch a copper at the pile of money. At times the game is varied by standing off ten yards and pitching until the money is struck—somewhat like our game of marbles. The coppers that go a certain distance from where they were piled go to the man who hits them.—St. Louis Republic.

An Obnoxious Name.

A schoolmaster was catechizing some boys in a country school some time ago, and asked one of them the question: "What is your name?" "Amindato Joshua James Good-enough," was the answer. Question No. 2 then came: "Who gave you that name?" And the master received the astounding reply: "I don't know, but if I ever find out I will break his face for him."—London Answers.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there it at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address
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2 pkgs. HO Buckwheat flour.....10c	Qt. bottle Bluing.....10c	2 quart can Home Made Maple Syrup.....60c	6 cans good Sardines.....25c	Golden Santos Coffee, lb.....15c
12 1/2 lb. sack Best Corn Meal.....18c	5 pounds good Rice, not cracked.....25c	Quart bottles strictly pure Strictly pure Vermont Maple Sugar, per lb.....12c	1 lb. can Osborn & Wenman's Baking Powder.....10c	A good Mocha and Java Coffee for.....18c
12 1/2 lb. sack Graham Flour.....25c	Lard, per lb.....6c	2 lb. can Green Gage Plums.....10c	Fancy Mixed Pickles in bottles.....10c	Old Government Java, regular 40c, for.....35c
12 1/2 lb. sack Whole Wheat Flour.....25c	Family Whitefish.....6c	2 lb. can Red Cherries.....10c	3 pkgs Mince Meat, Chicago brand, best quality.....25c	Uncolored Japan Tea, sun dried, a splendid drink.....35c
10 lb. sack Bangor or Pipestone pure Buckwheat Flour.....30c	Pork, per lb.....10c	3 lb. can red Kidney Beans.....25c	3 lbs. Fancy Home Dried Apples.....25c	Our regular 50c Tea for.....45c
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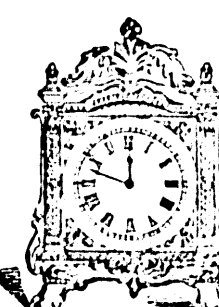
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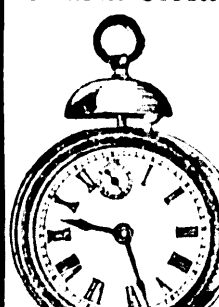
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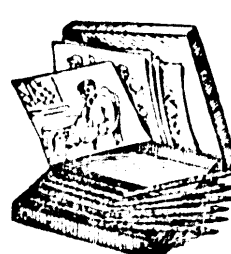
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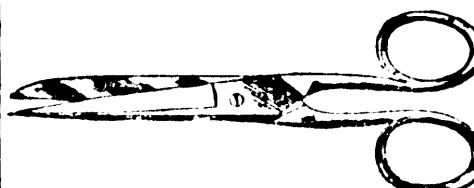
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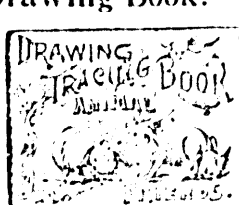
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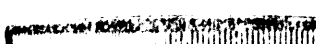
A collection of nine outline pictures, bound into book form with sheets of tissue paper between the leaves. On these tissue pages the children may trace the pictures, and then, using the colored crayons, they may color them. These drawing book and the box of crayons may very well be used together. There are 25 different pictures, and each drawing book requires a lion head and a 2-cent stamp.

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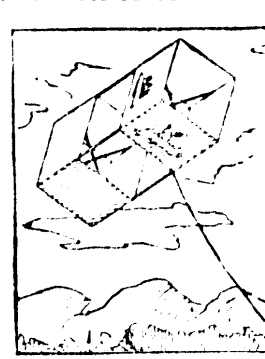


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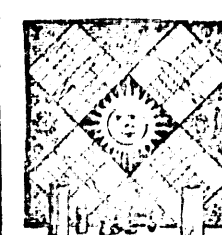
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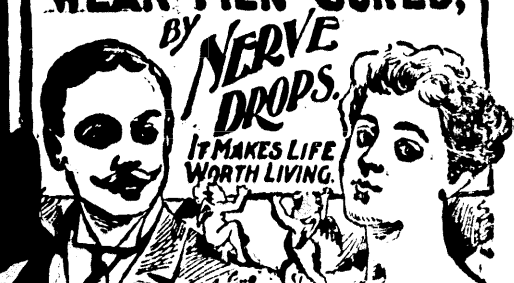
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CURRENT EVENTS.

Illinois has 16,417 miles of railway.
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The price of bituminous coal will be advanced 25 to 50 per cent. on April 1.
Kentucky democrats plan, it is said, to indict republicans for complicity in Goebel's murder.
The "Army Organization bill," if passed, will make Corbin succeed Miles as senior major general.
Miners in the Springfield (Ill.) convention decided to put negroes on an equal footing with white workmen.
Thomas Brennan was hanged at Pottsville, Pa., for the murder of Harry Elliott, a neighbor and fellow-workman in a colliery.
The senate committee on military affairs has favorably reported the bill for the establishment of a military post at Des Moines, Ia.
Leading Paris hotels have raised rates from three to nine dollars a day, and all theaters will charge higher prices during the exposition.
The Illinois railroad and warehouse commission reports for the year ended January 30, 1899, show an increase of \$67,248,255 in railway earnings.
The president sent to the senate the nomination of James Allison, of Kansas, to be commissioner to the International exposition at Paris.
Platt, Depew, Roosevelt and Odell will be New York delegates to the national republican convention. Woodruff may be opposed for vice president.
John B. Oltman, a broker, was killed at the New York Athletic club, New York city, by falling down the marble stairs leading to the main floor.
The bill repealing the so-called Horton law, which permits boxing matches, was passed in the New York assembly Thursday, the vote standing 92 yeas to 36 nays.
Lawyers for the American Federation of Labor are preparing a bill to be introduced in congress to prevent the interference of federal courts with strikes or other labor movements.
From Dr. Moller, in Europe, Secretary Van Selen, of the Boer relief fund committee, has received a letter saying that the Netherlands Red Cross committee has all the money it needs at present.
The French steamer Ernestine has been wrecked at Palmyra. Part of her crew were saved, but 13 lost their lives. The French schooner Notre Dame des Dunes is ashore at La Coubre. Four of her crew have been lost.

PUT TO DEATH.

Three American Soldiers Tortured and Murdered by Filipino Insurgents.

Boston, Feb. 16.—A dispatch to the Globe from Manila says: Three Massachusetts soldiers of the Twenty-sixth regiment U. S. V. have been tortured to death by insurgents. The men were Dennis Hayes, William Dugan and Michael Tracey, privates of company F, under Capt. William M. Tuthery. They remained behind the column at Balingag last November to get a tuba, and refused to accompany the corporal sent by Capt. Tuthery to bring them along. They were captured by the insurgents hanging on the rear of the column and were cruelly tortured and murdered by the rebels in the public plaza at Balingag.

Against Office-Holding Delegates.
Washington, Feb. 16.—Secretary Dick, of the republican national committee, has written to Chairman E. H. R. Green of the Texas state committee, saying it is deemed advisable, so far as practicable, that delegates to the coming republican national convention should not be federal office-holders.

One Man Drowned.
Thompsonville, Conn., Feb. 16.—A portion of the bridge that spans the Connecticut river, connecting Enfield and Southfield, was wrecked Thursday, and an unknown man standing on the bridge was drowned.

Wages Advanced.
Hazleton, Pa., Feb. 16.—The 1,800 employees of G. B. Markle & Co., anthracite coal mine operators, were notified Thursday of a five per cent. increase in their wages, the second advance in the last two months.

Ohio Republican Convention.
Columbus, O., Feb. 16.—The republican state central committee has decided that the state convention should be held in Columbus Tuesday and Wednesday, April 24 and 25.

THE MARKETS.

Grain, Provisions, Etc.
Chicago, Feb. 15.
FLOUR—Quiet and firm.
WHEAT—Higher. May, 68c; July, 69c.
CORN—Higher. Cash, 34c; July, 35c; September, 36c.
OATS—Higher. May, 23c; July, 24c.
RICE—Market steady. No. 2 cash, 10c; No. 3, about 9c; No. 4, 8c. Very choice, 10c; sample, 11c. May delivery, 26c.
BARLEY—Soft, well, and ridged. No. 2 cash, 10c; No. 3, about 9c; No. 4, 8c. Very choice, 10c; sample, 11c. May delivery, 26c.
MEAT—Cattle, hogs, and sheep. Prices quiet. Cattle, 10c; hogs, 11c; sheep, 12c.
POULTRY—Fowl steady. Trade slow. Turkeys, 10c; ducks, 11c; geese, 12c.
LIVE POULTRY—Market ruling firm. Turkeys, 10c; chickens, 11c; ducks, 12c; geese, 13c.

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HOGS—Market active and prices steady. Sales ranged at \$14.00 to \$15.00 for pigs, \$17.00 to \$18.00 for light, \$19.00 to \$20.00 for rough packing, \$21.00 to \$22.00 for mixed, and \$23.00 to \$24.00 for heavy packing and shipping lots.
SHEEP—Market rather active. Feeling steady. Prices unchanged. Quotations ranged at \$12.00 to \$13.00 for Westerns, \$14.00 to \$15.00 for Natives, \$16.00 to \$17.00 for Western Lambs, and \$18.00 to \$19.00 for Native Lambs.

OLD BEAR HAD FUN.

Being Tired of Amusing Others, He Makes His Escape and Has a Prodigious Frolic.

A. C. Mitchell, traveling agent for a Rochester firm, tells, in the New York World, a thrilling story of the experiences of the hamlet of Alton, ten miles west of Volcott, N. Y., with a cinnamon bear.

Two men named Mareena and Meeler arrived from the west at the Alton schoolhouse Monday and started to amuse the children during the noon intermission with a bear dance. For some reason the bear was angry and obstinate, and by a sudden swing of



SHOULDERED THE BIGGEST HOG.

his head tore the iron ring from his nose.

As the blood trickled down he lapped it up and immediately became frenzied. He sprang at his owners, who climbed to the roof of a barn. The children ran screaming into the school building, but two little girls fainted and fell in the entry. The teacher with a broom kept the bear at bay until they were dragged inside.

Landlord C. M. Glimpse, of the Alton hotel, drove by at this juncture and brui attacked him. His horse ran away and completely demolished a new top cutter.

At ten p. m. a farmer named Gurnee left his house to take in the carcasses of several hogs he had butchered that morning. He saw the largest "Newfoundland dog" he had ever seen come around the corner of the corner and perform the undoglike act of shouldering the biggest hog, after which he marched off on his hind legs.

Gurnee threw a stone at the dog, which dropped the hog and ran at him. The farmer entered the house half a neck to the good.

By this time he had dropped the dog theory. Dashing out of another door he ran to the next house and borrowed a rifle. Coming back he saw the strange beast and his pork disappearing through the orchard.

For two days, Mr. Mitchell says, the excitement kept increasing. Finally, at noon Wednesday, the bear's owners tracked him to his temporary lair in the heart of a tamarack swamp south of Great Sodus bay. Nearly a hundred boys and men, all armed, joined them, and at sundown they surrounded the bear.

COMEDY ON THE SIDE.

Virginia Girl Ticks Bald Head of a Bachelor in a Theater and Is Ejected.

Miss Lizzie Shoebridge is a jolly girl of 18, whose home is at Harper's Ferry, Va. Recently she came to Cumberland, Md., to be the guest of a prominent family for a week. According to a special correspondent of the Chicago Tribune, a young man of her host's family took her to the Academy of Music to see a play by the Chester-Devon company. They were late, and had to stand just back of the last



TICKLED HIS BALD SPOT.

row of seats in the balcony, crunched by many others who could not get seats.

Ridged under Miss Lizzie's nose was the shining bald pate of Charles Ridged, a middle-aged bachelor, who is sensitive regarding his lack of hair. Miss Shoebridge could not resist her desire to tickle the bald spot. She wisted her long, hairbrushed, and brushed the funny edges over the polished spot. Ridged looked around, but was loath to believe such a pretty girl would do the like. Again the girl brushed the funny edges over his pate. People began to take notice, and when Ridged again looked around Miss Shoebridge kept a straight face. The people tittered.

The girl kept up the mischief until Ridged demanded that a policeman interfere, and the gallery roared with laughter. The policeman ended the fun by roughly ejecting the girl and her escort.

Miss Shoebridge declared she was ashamed, but the temptation overcame her. She has apologized to Ridged, who says she is a sweet girl.

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SOCIETY AND PERSONAL

Mrs. Ida Parks went to Dowagiac today.

Allan Lamport is visiting friends in Sodus.

R. D. Johnson, of Chicago, is in the city today.

F. R. Gilson is in Grand Rapids today on business.

Mrs. Charles Schaeffer left for Terre Haute this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Kneibus, of Eau Claire, are in the city.

Miss Blanche Smith of Grand Rapids is the guest of friends here.

Miss Ida Brennan is visiting relatives and friends in Grand Rapids.

Luther Martin, of Berrien Springs, is visiting friends in the twin cities.

Miss Nora L. Bebee, of Valparaiso, Ind., is the guest of her friend, Miss Macumber.

James House will leave in the morning for East Saginaw, where he will spend a week with relatives.

The Daughters of Ossoli will meet with Miss Alice Gilson tomorrow afternoon.

The Pleasure club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Schier next Monday evening.

Mesdames Housan, Bennett and Butzbach very charmingly entertained the Lady Maccabees yesterday afternoon. About 34 of the ladies were present to enjoy the occasion. Delicious refreshments were served and a fine program rendered.

Don't forget the social at E. J. Housan's, 154 High street, tonight.

NO NEED FOR DUEL

A Big American's Response to a Challenge from a Very Much Excited Little Cuban.

According to a New York Sun correspondent duels are getting to be more and more out of fashion in Havana, even among Cubans, but there is still an occasional native who attempts to redress his grievances against Americans by an appeal to the code. As a consequence the rash man generally gets sat upon heavily. On Tuesday night last a 220-pound American, more than six feet in height, went into an American saloon. There was a crowd at the bar, and the Yankee, without



SHOOK HIM LIKE A RAT.

intending insult, pushed his weight in between two men so that he might get his drink. One of the chaps wedged out happened to be a little Cuban. Immediately he became extremely incensed at this high-handed outrage. Diving into his pocket with trembling hands he pulled forth his cardcase and extracted a card. Then, with exaggerated courtesy, he tapped the big Yankee on the arm and presented him with the card. The American did not understand the Spanish accompanying the presentation, but he realized that he had been invited to meet the Cuban on the field.

This having dawned upon him, he deliberately tore the card into four pieces, buttoned his coat and reached for the challenger. Seizing his squarely padded shoulders, he lifted his 120 odd pounds right off the floor, shook him until his hat flew off and his necktie decorated his ears, and then plumped him into a cane-bottomed chair with such a jerk that the breath fled from the little fellow's body.

"Tut, tut!" said the big man. "Don't bother me again or I'll spank you!"

Thereupon the American turned to the bar again, saw that his drink, and strode out, while the Cuban meekly rearranged his hat without another word. Having done this, he left the saloon, going in the opposite direction from that taken by the American.

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Account of Mardi Gras, New Orleans, La., and Mobile, Ala., Big Four will sell tickets February 19 to 26, good returning March 15, at \$25.87 to New Orleans and \$24.87 to Mobile, Ala.

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